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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

This Response is filed in reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 24, 2004. Applicant elects the invention of Group II: Claims 1-4, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in Class 257, subclass 315.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter covered in the non-elected claims.

Early and favorable consideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

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